

CLAIMS:

- 1.** An amusement vehicle particularly designed for performing wheelie maneuvers comprising:
 - (a)** a support platform for supporting a rider in an upright position;
 - (b)** a handlebar assembly mounted upon and extending upwardly from said support platform; and
 - (c)** at least two ground contacting members adapted to facilitate passage across an effective ground surface mounted to the underside of the platform on which ground contacting members said vehicle can move across said ground surface, with at least one of the ground contacting members mounted rearwardly from at least one of the other ground contacting members, said ground contacting members positioned with respect to each other so that the rider can perform and maintain a wheelie maneuver with only the rearwardly positioned ground contacting member touching and supported by the ground surface.
- 2.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 1 wherein said vehicle is statically stable on said ground contacting members.
- 3.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 2 wherein there are at least three ground contacting members.
- 4.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 3 wherein the ground contacting members are ground contacting wheels.
- 5.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 4 wherein the wheel base of the vehicle is restricted in length.
- 6.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 5 wherein the wheel base of the vehicle is from one to two and a half feet in length.
- 7.** The amusement vehicle in accordance with claim 6 wherein the wheel base is from one and a quarter to one and three quarters feet.
- 8.** The amusement vehicle of claim 6 in which the handlebar assembly is adjustably mounted for height adjustment.
- 9.** The amusement vehicle of claim 6 wherein there are three ground contacting wheels mounted in a triangular pattern with effectively a single wheel

positioned to the rear upon which wheelies are performed and two paired side by side ground contacting wheels mounted ahead of the rear wheel.

10. The amusement vehicle of claim **9** wherein there is an additional ground contacting wheel mounted forwardly of the paired side by side ground contacting wheels.

11. The amusement vehicle of claim **9** wherein the handlebar assembly has an adjustable weight bearing platform mounted thereon.

12. The amusement vehicle of claim **8** wherein a wind catching member in the form of a sail is attached to the handle.

13. The amusement vehicle of claim **12** wherein there are at least two sail members attached to the handle.

14. The amusement vehicle of claim **6** wherein the handlebar is attached to the support platform in a manner to allow forward and back movement.

15. The amusement vehicle of claim **14** in which the handle is mounted for universal adjustment both forwardly and backwardly and laterally.

16. A platform-type wheeled rider support vehicle comprising:

- (a) a structural support base for support of a rider,
- (b) said base having three wheels arranged in a triangular pattern with two forward wheels and one effective rear wheel,
- (c) said structural support base having a short wheel base dimension between the two forward wheels and the rear wheel,
- (d) a handle extending upwardly from the structural support base adapted to be grasped by the rider.

17. A platform-type wheeled vehicle in accordance with claim **16** in which the wheel base between the two forward wheels and the rear wheel is from one foot to two and a half feet.

18. A platform-type wheeled vehicle in accordance with claim **17** wherein the wheel base is from one and a quarter to one and three quarters feet.

19. A platform-type wheeled vehicle in accordance with claim **18** wherein there is a fourth wheel positioned in front of the two nominally forward wheels.

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20. A platform-type wheeled vehicle in accordance with claim **19** wherein the handle is equipped with wind catching surfaces.